For bookings: 07446 130777

Countryside Activities programme



KEY to features on activities:



Open Country is the Yorkshire charity that ensures people with disabilities can access and enjoy the countryside. This is our Barnsley activities programme for January to March 2025 - we hope you like it!

If you are interested in any of the activities in here, please give Bob a bell on 07446 130777 to book on or make an enquiry.

We welcome new ideas for outings and activities - please do get in touch to let us know your ideas! We are also looking for Barnsley-based volunteers to help support members on these trips and rides.

ADVENTURE

Wednesday 19th January INDOOR CLIMBING



A trip over to The Foundry in Sheffield for a climbing session to remember. The venue has wheelchair accessibility and hoists, and trained instructors.

Admission £15 Trip £10 Travel time: 1 hour

Thursday 20th January FISHING AT LADYBOWER FISHERIES



Fly fishing on Ladybower with Troy and the team of coaches. Adaptive boats and equipment make this accessible for all.

Trip £10



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OUTINGS

Aimed primarily at those with physical disabilities and sensory impairments, accessible transportation can pick you up and drop you off home afterwards.

Saturday 11th January GRAND DAY OUT



A visit to the newly reopened Media Museum in Bradford.

Trip: £10

Sunday 19th January SOUP AND STARLINGS



Get wrapped up for a spectacular murmuration of up to fifty thousand starlings at a local nature reserve. Followed by a nice cup of hot soup.

Trip: £10





Sunday 2nd February YORK ICE TRAIL &



RIVERSIDE WALK

Explore York's historic streets as they come alive for York Ice Trail 2025 and discover secrets of origins long forgotten and tales yet to be told with stunning ice sculptures inspired by legends, myths, and York's rich history.

Trip: £10



Friday 14th February CUSWORTH HALL MUSEUM & GARDENS



A visit to Cusworth Hall, a beautiful Grade 1 listed building set in acres of historic parkland.

Trip: £10

Sunday 16th March PEAK RAIL & MATLOCK



Boarding the heritage railway at Rowsley, alighting at Matlock station, and a stroll along the River Derwent.

Ticket: £15/£10 over 65's

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WALKS

Open to any ambulant disabled adult, with volunteer guides on hand to help guide you. The minibus will be able to pick you up from central Barnsley and drop you off there afterwards.

Wednesday 8th January LANGSETT



Trip £10

A circular walk around Langsett reservoir calling at the café for a warming brew.

Wednesday 22nd January SPROTBROUGH



Trip £10

A walk along the River Don and Sprotbrough Flash, crossing Conisbrough viaduct, before heading back for a brew.

Thursday 6th February

LADYBOWER RESERVOIR

Trip £10

A circular walk from the visitor centre at Fairholmes around the stunning Ladybower reservoir.



Wednesday 5th March 5 WEIRS BLUE LOOP, SHEFFIELD



Trip £10

A circular walk starting near Meadowhall, heading to Victoria Quays along the Sheffield and Tinsley Canal and returning alongside the River Don.



Wednesday 26th March ELSECAR & WENTWORTH

Trip £10

A circular walk starting from the Heritage Centre at Elsecar, heading up to the village of Wentworth for refreshment, before heading back to Elsecar.



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